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For: Technique for Navigating Components : Res. Tri. Park, NC 27709  
of a Model Having Complex Relationships : Art Unit: 2771  
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 25, 2000, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted:

In the claims:

1. (Twice Amended) In a computing environment, computer readable code for implementing a  
convenient and intuitive visually-oriented technique for navigating an object model, said  
computer readable code comprising:  
a subprocess for displaying a browser;  
a subprocess for retrieving and displaying a set of elements in said browser, said elements  
representing said object model;  
a subprocess for enabling a user of said code to select one of said elements;  
a subprocess for retrieving and displaying relationship information from said model when  
said selected element is a component of said model; and